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MEMORANDUM FOR: Brig. Gen. Richard D. Curtin, USAF  
Director, Office of Space Systems  
Department of the Air Force

SUBJECT: Briefings on Your Various Programs

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1. Thank you for your memorandum of 27 April 1962. I am sure that [REDACTED] proposal that COMOR should communicate directly with the Director of Space Systems when necessary should facilitate handling matters of mutual concern.

2. The COMOR is currently reviewing a paper which was approved on 29 June 1960 by the United States Intelligence Board which was prepared by the Satellite Intelligence Requirements Committee (SIRC) and entitled "Intelligence Requirements for Satellite Reconnaissance Systems of which SAMOS is an Example." For such review to be useful the COMOR will require information on the capabilities of satellites to acquire photographic and electronic data, either those currently operational or planned. It would be appreciated if your office could arrange for a briefing on relevant satellite reconnaissance systems. Perhaps the details of such a briefing could be worked out by your representative calling me directly (code 143, extension 7640). For your information such briefing would not need to include CORONA or ARGON, with which the Committee is already familiar. While some time ago the USAF had arranged for presentation to the COMOR briefings on SAMOS, it may be that you would wish to have us brought up to date on that project and its future capabilities.

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